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April 13, 2015

Mr. Mark Cowin, Director
California Department of Water Resources
P.O. Box 942836
Sacramento, CA 94236-0001

RE: Support - San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District Water Energy Grant Application

Dear Director Cowin,

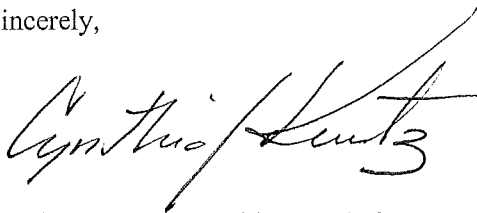
On behalf of the San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership, I am writing to support the application of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District (SGVMWD) for a Water Energy Grant. The Partnership is a regional economic development corporation covering eastern Los Angeles County that is committed to increasing economic growth and improving the quality of life of the San Gabriel Valley.

SGVMWD is one of 15 agencies and organizations whose applications have been recommended for approval by the Department of Water Resources (DWR) in the Department's initial draft funding recommendations. The Department's 2014 Water Energy Grant Program provides funding for qualified applicants to support the implementation of residential, commercial and institutional water efficiency programs or projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and also reduce water and energy usage.

SGVMWD's grant proposal, entitled *SGVMWD Water and Energy Conservation Rebate Program*, would encourage water and energy conservation through rebates for water and energy efficient washing machines, dishwashers, smart irrigation controllers and waterless urinals for residential and commercial water users in its service territory here in the San Gabriel Valley.

I fully support SGVMWD in its application for this critical grant. Water is the most important commodity in California and a secure and reliable water supply is vital for residents and businesses throughout the state. This grant would be a great help to our region to assist our residents better conserve precious water.

Sincerely,



Cynthia J. Kurtz, President & CEO

cc: Mr. Craig Cross